

STILL, whatever may come of it, the Farmington Aylum scandal has been a godsend to the drooping daily press.

Will our Democratic Congress "make good" despite the Baileys with which the senate is handicapped? I think it will.

THE late Republican Judge of this circuit left over five hundred undetermined causes in Reynolds county to be tackled by his Democratic successor. And yet I hear that the former gentleman was an applicant for Commissioner to help expedite the business of the Supreme Court!

WHILE the Republicans do not harmonize very well just now, no one should forget that the past two years have been a period of the full dinner pail.—De Soto Republican.

Yes, mum! The dinner pail for the past two years has, like the average Republican editor, been full—full of wind.

IF free trade with Canada on some things is good, why not better if on all things? And if with Canada, why not still better, if with all the world? This last has been my contention ever since I was old enough to think about it. I am glad to note that so many prominent Republicans are coming my way. But many of the little patched trousers fellows still fear the "pauper labor of Europe"—that is, the contingent thereof which has not as yet found its way into America, where the aegis of Protection covers everything save the workman. Labor, for capitalistic purposes, has always been, and is, free as the air that ruffles the seas, rustles the trees and plays with the mountain-tops.

A STATE CAPITOL at an estimated cost of one million dollars would beget an honest job than would one for three millions. The building would not be showy in marble pillars, perhaps, but the graft would be less. For the life of me, I can't understand the pride that is based on costly edifices built by money extorted from people who in their homes are content with modest healthful comforts and happy in their enjoyment. The worthiest period in a government is the one which precedes costly public monuments and consequent prodigal expenditure. Every additional tax levied is one more wind of the cord destined in the end to bind the spirit and subdue the virtue of a people born to happier uses. Give us a capitol sufficient unto the requirements of the State, and nothing more.

SIX constitutional amendments are to be voted on at the next general election. First, a proposition to issue \$5,000,000 in bonds to build and equip a new state capitol. This is conditioned on the result of the special election to be held in August to vote \$3,000,000 for the same purpose. Should the latter carry, then a vote on this amendment will not be necessary. Second, reducing the minimum school age from six years to five and removing the maximum limit. Third, requiring the registration of voters in all counties having a population of 50,000 or more and adjoining a city with a population of 300,000 or more. Fourth, increasing the rate of taxation for local purposes by votes of the people. Fifth, allowing St. Louis county to increase its indebtedness for certain public improvements. Sixth, providing that naturalized foreigners must be residents of the state a year and of a county sixty days before being allowed to vote.

SECRETARY NAGEL of the department of Commerce and Labor delivered a speech at Champaign, Ill., advocating national incorporation in place of the creation of corporations by States. He said that the business interests of the country have a right to demand protection. That is true but the people create corporations and the creator is entitled to some protection from its creature. The corporations rush to the federal courts for their injunctions and show a decided preference for those courts in all their litigation. They have persistently championed all schemes to centralize corporation authority in the federal government. But it is true that relief from corporation abuses has come only from State government. Being nearer the people the State government is more responsive to the people's will. Federal incorporation is an end greatly desired by men who wish to perpetuate corporation abuses and those who

are concerned solely in the public interests should fight the proposed change with all possible vigor.—The Commoner.

SAYS the Globe-Democrat:

"Gov. Hadley remarks in a veto that it is better to encourage immigration to the state than to appropriate money in a block of \$5,000 to pay bounties on wolf scalps. The Bourbon hostility to immigration and an effective game law was one of the leading features at the recent session."

Our Governor is a very smart young man and he comes from Kansas; but it seems to me that "\$5000 for wolf-scalps" is a more legitimate expenditure by the State than \$30,000 in aid of real estate agents—some of whom are wolves more merciless and voracious than the prowlers of the forest. Aside from this, however, why seek to crowd the land with superinduced immigration? Will it add to the welfare of humanity to hasten the conditions which always obtain in densely populated communities? Will it conduce to our happiness or make easier the struggle for existence? I am a "mossback," I know, and perhaps that is the reason that when a public project is presented, I am led to think of its ultimate result, clothed though the project be in the spangled robe of haste and haloed with the sacred light of progression.

Annapolis News.

Lots of rain and washouts. Big Creek was overflowing Sunday and delayed trains for an hour or more. The roadbed was washed away at the upper end of the old Willett farm, at mile post 104. It required 300 ties to fix the road so trains could pass.

We are blessed with preachers in our town. They are preaching day and night, and give good Bible reasons for their religion.

Parson Crandt of St. Louis is in town looking after his interest in the London Realty Co., of which he is the chief stockholder. He always preaches us a good sermon when he comes here.

Several of the boys have to go to Ironton this week to attend circuit court in the case against Fred Warren. Fred is a good boy and we hope he will come clear.

Sarah J. Campbell, who has been in Annapolis for several months, will return this week to the home of her son, Coot Campbell.

John R. Kitchell and wife of Halleyville, Oklahoma, will visit relatives here soon, and are on the lookout for a cheap Iron county farm.

Train comes too early in the morning for most people. John and Nim Brewer, petit jurors in the circuit court, both missed the train to Ironton this morning, but it was not their fault. The night operator told them the train was an hour late. Under a new law it is a fine of \$50 to give false information about trains.

Most gardens were badly damaged by the recent rains. Many a bushel of potatoes, corn and beans were washed out of Annapolis, but at Gads Hill it did not muddy the branches.

T. P. Fitz is in town on business. Black river is said to be higher this morning than it has been for ten years past. If so there will be much damage to farmers on low lands in Reynolds and Wayne counties.

The section gang was called out last night to repair washouts, and some of them had to remain on duty all night as flagmen.

BULLETIN.

Swift's Superphosphate, the champion corn-grower. Fresh car just received.

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Grand Jury Report.

To the Hon. E. M. Dearing, Judge of the Iron County Circuit Court:

We, the Grand Jurors for the county of Iron, empaneled, sworn and charged at the April term, 1911, of the Iron County Circuit Court, having completed our labors, beg leave to report the following:

All matters brought to our attention we have diligently inquired into and where we had sufficient evidence that the law had been violated, returned bills of indictment.

With the assistance of the county officers themselves we briefly examined the books and accounts dealing with the county funds, and as far as we were able to ascertain they were correct and the officers in charge performing their duties according to law. We did not deem it necessary to go into the matter of investigating the condition of the county funds very thoroughly as we received information that the County Court had ordered a complete investigation of the records by skilled accountants.

The county jail was duly examined by us and found to be clean and in a sanitary and healthful condition.

Due investigation was also made of the county poor farm, managed by Mr. F. M. Anderson, and we found that the inmates were well cared for and the poor farm properly handled, except we believe it would be conducive to the health of the inmates if the inner walls of the main building were whitewashed. We recommend that this be done in the near future and also that certain repairs to the building be made which were apparent to us as necessary for its protection.

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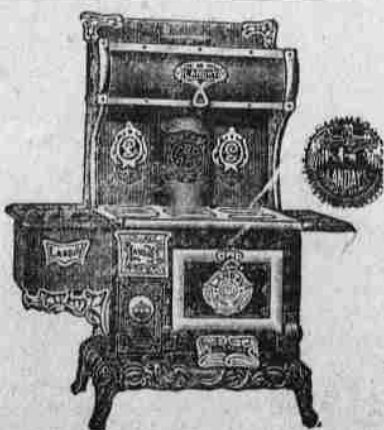


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